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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6519**

**BILL NUMBER: SB 83**

**DATE PREPARED:** Apr 6, 1999

**BILL AMENDED:** Apr 5, 1999

**SUBJECT:** Stormwater runoff from developed real property.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
X DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) (1) This bill requires the Water Pollution Control Board to adopt rules establishing groundwater quality standards that include numeric and narrative criteria, a groundwater classification plan, and a method of determining where the groundwater quality standards must apply.

(2) It requires counties and municipalities to establish a policy by January 1, 2001, for the management of stormwater runoff from developed real property. It provides that the policy may, but is not required to, provide for the actual management of stormwater runoff.

It establishes the geographic scope that a policy must cover.

**Effective Date:** (Amended) Upon passage; July 1, 1999.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) (1) This bill requires the Water Pollution Control Board to adopt rules establishing groundwater quality standards that include numeric and narrative criteria, a groundwater classification plan, and a method of determining where the groundwater quality standards must apply. It also requires the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM), the Department of Natural Resources, the State Department of Health, the Office of the State Chemist, and the Office of the State Fire Marshal to adopt rules to apply those groundwater quality standards to activities regulated by those agencies. There would be minimal expenses associated with the adoption of rules.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** (2) A county or municipal legislative body must establish a policy by January 1, 2001, for the management of stormwater runoff from developed real property in the unit. The county or municipal legislative body may establish the policy by resolution or ordinance. The adoption of a resolution or ordinance can be done within the existing budget. However, if the adopted policy requires a

county or municipality to provide for actual management of stormwater there could be some cost incurred by the county or municipality. Currently the county surveyor can create standards for drainage and many counties have a county drainage ordinance. Drainage ordinances have also been adopted by some municipalities. The fiscal impact of this provision is dependent on local action.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Indiana Department of Environmental Management; Department of Natural Resources; State Department of Health; Office of the State Chemist; Office of the State Fire Marshal.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Counties.

**Information Sources:** Testimony provided to the Agricultural Matters Evaluation Committee, October 14, 1997; Erika Seydel Cheney, Indiana Department of Environmental Management, 232-8598.